

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 6/2/2015	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Tim Cate, Project Manager (805) 781-5293	
(4) SUBJECT Submittal of a resolution approving the Old Creek Road 6.334 mile culvert replacement project and adopting the Initial Study, Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities. District 2.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adopt the attached resolution approving the Old Creek Road 6.334 mile culvert replacement project and adopting the Initial Study, Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act; and</li> <li>2. Direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities, including acquisition of environmental regulatory permits.</li> </ol>			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Road Fund	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____ )			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? Yes	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW David E. Grim			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 2			

Reference: 15JUN02-C-6

## County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works  
Tim Cate, Project Manager  
Kate Ballantyne, Environmental Division Manager

VIA: Dave Flynn, Deputy Director of Public Works

DATE: 6/2/2015

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board:

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2. Direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities, including acquisition of environmental regulatory permits.

### **DISCUSSION**

The San Luis Obispo County Public Works Department (County) proposes to remove and replace a corroded 36" corrugated metal pipe (CMP) with a smooth lined 48" plastic culvert. The project site is located on Old Creek Road at post mile 6.334, in the North County Planning Area (see attached Vicinity Map). Rock wing-walls at the inlet and outlet, will be removed and the asphalt section of the road will be excavated to remove the old CMP. The County will then install 52 feet of 48" plastic culvert, form the wing-walls with interlocked rocks and repave the road. Portions of the channel and the immediate surrounding riparian area are densely vegetated with riparian vegetation. No removal or trimming of vegetation would be required to replace the culvert. The majority of the construction will be on the road. Project staging will occur within the existing County right-of-way.

As required by CEQA, all discretionary projects carried out by the County Department of Public Works are reviewed to identify, avoid, reduce, and mitigate any potential environmental impacts. The Initial Study, Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project was prepared by staff of the County Public Works Department Environmental Division, with review and approval by the Environmental Coordinator in the Department of Planning and Building. The Environmental Coordinator found that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment because of the inclusion of suitable mitigation measures that are designed to avoid and/or reduce all possible project-related impacts.

The Initial Study identified impacts and mitigation measures in the following issue areas: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, and Water/Hydrology. Mitigation measures include: fugitive dust control measures, acquisition of the necessary regulatory agency permits, pre-construction biological surveys, limiting construction to the dry season, trash abatement, worker environmental awareness training, implementation of a spill prevention plan, best management practices, and sedimentation control measures.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

Prior to commencement of an Initial Study, other affected local, State and Federal Agencies are notified of a proposed project. None of the affected agencies had any comments for the proposed project.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was noticed for public comment in a local newspaper and circulated to State agencies through the State Clearinghouse. The minimum 30-day review period ended May 8, 2015; no comments were received.

Prior to the commencement of work within the stream bed and banks, a Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Nationwide 404 Permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and a Section 401 Water Quality certification from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board must be secured. The applications for these agreements have been prepared and will be submitted to the aforementioned agencies upon approval of the project.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There is no cost associated with adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

This project is a multi-year maintenance project budgeted in Road Fund for FY 2014-15. The estimated project costs to obtain the required environmental permits and replace the culvert are \$60,000. The project will be funded from the Road Fund.

### **RESULTS**

Approval of the project and adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration will complete the CEQA review phase and allow the project to move into the environmental permitting phase. Completion of the project will replace the old metal culvert with a new plastic culvert in order to alleviate possible road failure and undercutting erosion taking place in the eroded culvert.

c: Trevis Warner, Environmental Resource Specialist

File: CF 450.30.01 Environmental Permitting Regulations

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Vicinity Map
2. Resolution approving the Old Creek Road 6.334 Mile Culvert Replacement Project and Adopting the Initial Study, Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act